GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
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FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN MARATHWARA
Renge Patil Shri Tukaram Ganpatrao

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from Marathwara Agriculture University regarding setting up of food park in Parbhani;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken so far regarding approval of the said proposal and the outcome thereof till date?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (I/C) (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI)

(a) to (c) : Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MFPI) has received a proposal from Marathwada Agricultural University for establishment of Food Park at Parbani, in April 2008. MFPI had been providing financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid for setting up of Food Park under its Plan scheme during 10th Five Year Plan @ 25% of project cost in general areas and 33.33% of project cost in difficult areas, subject to maximum of Rs. 4.00 crore for creation of common facilities such as power supply, water supply, cold storage, warehousing facilities, effluent treatment plant, food testing analytical laboratories, common processing facilities etc. 10th Plan period has come to an end on 31st March, 2007, and MFPI has developed a revamped scheme for providing financial assistance for establishment of Mega Food Parks in the country during 11th Five Year Plan. The applicant organization i s being requested to submit a fresh proposal conforming to the guidelines of the new Mega Food Park scheme.